

Store. The two sections were combined in 1942 and named the combination store but people still referred to it as the five and 10 cent store.

In 1968, the store was remodeled with a new front being added, booths and front checkout lanes, replacing the individual counter check-out system. A new bakery and ice cream department had just recently been added.

Like has many fond memories of the past 42 years. "We used to be open Monday through Saturday with Thursday afternoons off. We were open till 9 pm on Saturday and on that day people came to town from the country and gathered out front and visited with each other. It was a big day for them."

She continues. "Years ago we lived at Niner Hill and when Dad had to be out of town, I had no way to go to work. A neighbor who also worked at Kresge's, and myself would leave for work around six in the morning and thumb to get to work." She adds, "It was safe at that time."

She went on to say, "At Christmas time it was so crowded you couldn't stir them with a stick."

Inventory would start the day after Christmas. This was no easy task for the employees. "Some days I'd have to start at 2:30 am just to get to the store on time. I remember one morning the store sent a cab to my house to get me. The snow was terrible, with snow drifts up to my waist."

Like had an old time card that showed her pay at \$12.50 per week. She has worked for 14 different managers during her career with the company. "I have enjoyed working with all the people and I'll miss them. I'll especially miss



Like on the day of her retirement.

Catherine (Sammy) Sainopulos, who I have worked with side by side for 32 years," she says sadly.

Like has no special plans for her retirement. "I really haven't thought about it. I try not to, but I know it's going to happen. I'll visit my granddaughters, and maybe visit Florida," she says.

Like makes her home with her daughter and son-in-law. She has four grandchildren: Rebecca, who is a graduate nurse at Riverside Hospital in Columbus; Martha Elizabeth, a graduate of cosmetology in Columbus; Robert Harold Staker, Jr., who works with his father at Staker Sales and Service and 13-year-old Phillip Ernest Staker, an eighth grade student at McKinley Middle School.

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NEW RETIREES - 1983

FRANCES BURGESS, K mart 7043, Rock Hill, SC, July 1, 7 Years.
NETA COYLE, K mart 9106, Stuart, FL, June 1, 7 Years.
GERALDINE GRAHAM, K mart 3207, Farmington Hills, MI, July 1, 11 Years.
JUANITA M. GRONAU, K mart 4067, Fort Wayne, IN, June 1, 13 Years.
GERALDINE M. GROSS, K mart 4481, Plymouth, MI, July 1, 9 Years.
VERA HENDRIX, K mart 9571, Cullman, AL, July 1, 17 Years.
LUCILIOUS A. Mc GRAW, K mart 4193, Bridgeton, MO, June 1, 14 Years.
MARTHA H. MERVISH, K mart 7013, College Station, TX, July 1, 5 Years.
ROBERT L. NIELSEN, K mart 7151, Vista, CA, July 1, 15 Years.
RUBY K. OLSEN, K mart 3220, Vienna, WV, June 1, 7 Years.
FREDA PATTERSON, K mart 4035, Anderson, IN, July 1, 11 Years.
VIOLETA L. PERES, KIH, Troy, MI, June 1, 20 Years.
ELEANOR J. PLASICK, K mart 4054, New Kensington, PA, July 1, 18 Years.
JENNIE RICCONONO, K mart 4296, Hollywood, FL, June 1, 6 Years.
HELEN RYDZEWSKI, K mart 4257, Middleburg Hgts., OH, May 1, 14 Years.
ROBBIE SCHNEELY, K mart 4046, Hot Springs, AZ, June 1, 13 Years.
HAZEL V. SEABOL, K mart 3140, Clearwater, FL, July 1, 8 Years.
WELTON SMITH, K mart 4025, Tyler, TX, July 1, 19 Years.
LOIS M. STIGER, K mart 4626, Fremont, OH, July 1, 40 Years.
WINNIFRED M. STORY, Kresge 566, Wayne, MI, July 1, 18 Years.
MILDRED M. INGELS, K mart 4026, St. Joseph, MO, June 1, 19 Years.
BARNARD B. WARREN, K mart 4312, Huntsville, AL, July 1, 12 Years.
LADDIE P. WIETERS, K mart 3080, Charleston, SC, July 1, 7 Years.
BONITA A. WINIARCZYK, K mart 3043, Aurora, CO, July 1, 15 Years.
MILDRED ALBRIGHT, K mart 3227, Lilburn, GA, June 30, 18 Years.
RUTH BARTLEY, K mart 4082, Troy, MI, April 27, 18 Years.
VADA BEARDSHEAR, K mart 4315, Iowa City, IA, June 29, 16 Years.
DOROTHY R. BREWSTER, K mart 3017, El Toro, CA, June 29, 19 Years.
RUTH A. CANNASSA, K mart 4054, New Kensington, PA, June 30, 17 Years.
ELNORA CARR, K mart 3007, North Little Rock, AR, May 14, 7 Years.
DOROTHY CASTER, K mart 4276, Toledo, OH, May 6, 23 Years.
LIBORIA CONIGLIO, K mart 4248, New Springfield, NY, April 30, 10 Years.
VICTOR COSMAI, K mart Apparel, North Bergen, NJ, June 30, 13 Years.
HELEN J. DAWSON, K mart 4024, South Houston, TX, April 14, 13 Years.
BERTHA M. DENNIS, K mart 4015, Port Huron, MI, May 6, 12 Years.
IRENE DIBBS, K mart 3013, Cleveland, OH, April 5, 10 Years.
DAVID A. DUKE, K mart 4137, Charlotte, NC, April 30, 7 Years.
AUDREY A. ENGMAN, K mart 4374, Wausau, WI, May 21, 11 Years.
ANNA K. DWELL, K mart 3027, Clemmons, NJ, June 30, 10 Years.
AGNES M. FALLEEN, K mart 7253, Marysville, WA, April 29, 10 Years.
MARGARET GAGNE, K mart 4407, Brockton, MA, April 29, 4 Years.
REBECCA GERSTEIN, K mart 3397, North Andover, MA, June 29, 5 Years.
VETIVA GISEON, K mart 4099, Mt. Morris, MI, April 27, 17 Years.
THELMA K. GILLETTE, K mart 3291, North Andover, MA, June 29, 9 Years.